

Health Information Technology Exchange Board of Directors

Committee Description and Membership

Legal and Policy Committee

provides strategic input to HITE-CT regarding legal and policy issues for statewide HIE including policy frameworks, privacy and security requirements, data sharing agreements, laws, regulations, and multi-state harmonization. Its primary purpose is to create a common set of rules to enable inter-organizational and eventually interstate health information exchange, while protecting consumer interests. The Committee is responsible to:

- Identify and harmonize the Federal and State legal and policy requirements that enable appropriate health information exchange services;
- Create the legal framework for patient and provider participation in health information exchanges;
- Establish a statewide policy framework that allows for incremental and continuous development of information exchange policies over time;
- Enable appropriate, inter-organizational exchange of health information;
- Meet other important state policy requirements such as those related to public health and vulnerable populations;
- Minimize obstacles in data sharing agreements;
- Identify interdependencies with other Committees and provide input; and
- Establish enforcement mechanisms to track and ensure statewide stakeholder compliance with federally adopted standards and all applicable policies for interoperability, privacy, and security.

Committee Members

John Lynch*	– Acting Committee Chair
Ellen Andrews*	– CT Health Policy Project
Charles Covin	– Eastern Connecticut Health Network, Inc
Marianne Horn [†]	– Connecticut Department of Public Health
Brenda Kelley*	– AARP Connecticut
Jill Kentfield [†]	– Connecticut Department of Public Health
Mark Laudemberger	– Middlesex Hospital
Marcia Petrillo	– Qualidigm
Lori Reed-Fourquet	– eHealthSign, LLC
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